



N A R B E R T H R U R A L D I S T R I C T

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE
YEAR, 1955.

To the Chairman and Members of the Council.

I beg to submit the Annual Report for the year 1955.

V I T A L S T A T I S T I C S

Resident Population (Registrar General's Estimate).....1955.....
.....9,920.....

	<u>Narberth</u> <u>R.D. 1955.</u>	<u>Narberth</u> <u>R.D. 1954</u>	<u>County of</u> <u>Pembroke</u>	<u>England</u> <u>& Wales.</u>
Birth Rate (per 1,000 pop.)	13.2	14.7	17.07	15.0
Death Rate (per 1,000 pop.)	14.6	16.4	12.44	11.7
Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000 live births)	22.9	13.6	23.73	24.9

Causes of death:-

	M.	F.
TOTAL (all causes)	63	82
Tuberculosis (all forms)	2	2
Cancer	7	13
Diabetes	-	1
Vascular lesions of nervous system	6	16
Coronary disease, angina	13	6
Hypertension with heart disease	3	3
Other heart disease	5	19
Other circulatory disease	2	4
Pneumonia	2	3
Bronchitis	6	-
Other disease of respiratory system	2	-
Nephritis and nephrosis	1	1
Hyperplasia of prostate	3	-
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	1
Other defined and ill-defined diseases	9	11
Motor Vehicle accidents	2	-
All other accidents	-	2

The Death Rate is higher than that for the County of Pembroke or for the whole of the country.

Of the 145 registered deaths 35 (or approximately 24%) were of persons over the age of 70 years and 26 (approximately 18%) were over 80 years of age.

There is a rise in the Infant Mortality Rate. There were two

deaths of infants under one year of age, one of which was only four days old. The deaths were due to prematurity and bronchopneumonia.

NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Scarlet Fever	1	Whooping Cough	11	Measles	117
Dysentery	2	Ac. Poliomyelitis	1	Paratyphoid	

The case of Acute Poliomyelitis notified was finally diagnosed as Non-paralytic Poliomyelitis.

TUBERCULOSIS

There were four cases of Respiratory Tuberculosis notified during the year, two of which had been transferred from another area and also one case of non-respiratory tuberculosis which had been transferred from another area. There were four deaths due to Tuberculosis.

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946.

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES

VACCINATION

Vaccination is carried out by the patient's own doctor, who is paid by the County Council for notifications to your Medical Officer of either successful vaccination or failure after the second attempt. Records were received of 55 primary and 17 second vaccinations.

PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS

B.C.G. VACCINATION

The B.C.G. Vaccination of contacts has been carried out in the area by Dr. Llewelyn Davies, the Chest Physician since 1950. During the Autumn Term, B.C.G. Vaccination of school leavers was commenced, that is, the children who have reached the age of thirteen years, written consent having been obtained from the parents.

277 children were skin tested and of these 39 were vaccinated.

It is hoped that it will be possible to complete the skin testing and vaccination of all the thirteen year olds whose parents so wish during the school year. It will be necessary to repeat the skin testing annually and vaccinate the negative reactors.

IMMUNISATION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA

This is also carried out by the local practitioners and paid for by the County Council on receipt of the record cards. 71 children were immunised during 1955 and 7 children were given reinforcing injections.

1. The first part of the report is a general introduction to the subject of the study. It discusses the importance of the study and the objectives of the research.

2. The second part of the report is a detailed description of the methodology used in the study. It includes information about the sample size, the data collection methods, and the statistical analysis techniques.

3. The third part of the report is a discussion of the results of the study. It presents the findings of the research and compares them with the previous studies in the field. It also discusses the limitations of the study and the implications of the findings.

4. The fourth part of the report is a conclusion and a list of references. The conclusion summarizes the main findings of the study and provides recommendations for future research. The references list the sources of information used in the study.

5. The fifth part of the report is a list of appendices. These include the raw data, the questionnaires, and the statistical analysis results.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

REMOVAL TO SUITABLE PREMISES OF PERSONS IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION.

No action was necessary under this section.

WATER

The number of houses and other properties supplied from the mains at the end of 1955 were as follows :

Amroeth	152	Llawhaden	51	Minwere	
Begelly	104	Llangeliman	28	Narberth South	
Bletherston	16	Llandissillie West	89	Narberth North	170
Clarbeston	7	Llanycefn	33	New Mead	10
Ccedcanlas	5	Llysyfran	20	Newton	1
Crinow	25	Llanfallteg	14	Reynalton	
Crunwere	37	Llandilo	11	Robeston Wathen	
East Williamston	89	Lceveston	12	St. Issells	
Grondre	32	Ludchurch	31	Slebech	1
Jeffreyston	92	Maenclochog	67	Verlan	
Lampeter Velfrey	125	Martletwy	44	Yerbeston	
Llanddewi Velfrey	74	Minwere	3		

As will be noted there are two additional parishes which enjoy a mainst supply such parishes being Clarbeston and Slebech. This is due to the two extension schemes carried out during the year, namely, Canastan Bridge to Slebech and Clarbeston to Clarbeston Grange.

HOUSING

The housing position at the end of 1955 was as follows :

Kilgetty	-	4 houses completed
Maenclochog	-	6 " "
New Mead	-	4 " "
Llanddewi Velfrey	-	8 " "
Tavernspite	-	6 " "
Begelly	-	2 Bungalows completed
Summerhill	-	10 houses and 4 bungalows complet
Grondre	-	Site works for 4 houses commenced
Coxhill	-	" " " 10 " "

This now brings the total number of Council houses in each parish at the end of 1955 to:

Amroeth	26	Llangeliman	4
Begelly	18	Llanycefn	4
Broadmeor	8	Llawhaden	6
Coxhill	18	Lampeter Velfrey	2
Cresselly	6	Ludchurch	3
Cross Hands	10	Maenclochog	8
Crunwere	4	Martletwy	6
East Williamston	2	New Mead	8
Grondre	6	Reynalton	4
Jeffreyston	36	Robeston Wathen	8

Kilgetty (Ryelands)	36	Saundersfcct (North Close)	39
Kilgetty (1915)	8	Saundersfcct (Nash Place)	10
Kilgetty (St. Mary's Place)	12	Saundersfcct (Windscr Terr.)	6
Llanddewi Velfrey	18	Tavernspite	1
Llandissilic	8	Templeton	1
		Velfrey Road	1

Total - 322 houses

HOUSING APPLICATIONS

Enquiry forms have been sent to all applicants on the Council's housing list and below is tabled the position at the end of 1955. It will be noted that there are a number of applicants from outside the district and such applicants reside mainly in Tenby and Narberth.

<u>Name of Parish</u>	<u>Within the Parish</u>	<u>Within the District</u>	<u>Outside the District</u>
Kilgetty	7	11	4
Begelly	2	3	-
Coxhill	8	6	4
New Mead	-	-	-
Reynalton	1	-	-
East Williamston	4	2	-
Saundersfcct	15	1	6
Tavernspite	1	-	1
Velfrey Road)	-	-	1
Lampeter Velfrey)	1	-	-
Cross Hands	-	-	1
Llanddewi Velfrey	-	1	-
Crunwere	-	-	1
Llanycefn	-	-	-
Jeffreyston	-	1	1
Clynderwen	2	3	3
Cresselly	-	-	-
Ludchurch	-	-	-
Llandissilic	1	1	1
Templeton	3	3	1
Llawhaden	2	-	3
Maenclochog	1	2	-
Penffordd	-	1	-
Llangelman	1	1	-
Robeston Wathen	-	1	-
Hartletwy	1	-	-
Narberth	10	3	1
TOTAL	60	40	28

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

PHYLLIS M. BOWEN

M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H., D.C.



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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SANITARY INSPECTOR FOR
THE YEAR 1955.

INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING
THE YEAR

Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	305
Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the local authority of their officer	35
Estimated number of houses unfit for human habitation within the meaning of Section 9 of the Housing, Repairs and Rents act, 1954	235

ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING
YEAR

Housing Act, 1936, Sections 9, 10 and 16.

Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	3
Number of dwelling houses rendered fit after service of formal notices (By owners)	Nil

Public Health Acts.

Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	18
Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices (By owners)	2

Housing Act, 1936. Sections 11 & 13

Number of dwelling houses in respect of which demolition orders were made	1
Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders	1
Number of dwelling houses in respect of which undertakings were accepted	12

Housing Act, 1936. Section 12

Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made	3
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SANITARY INSPECTION

Number of complaints received	76
Number of defects or nuisance discovered	51

Summary of Inspections

Dwelling houses :-

No. of inspections arising from housing applications	29
No. of inspections under Housing Act, 1936	23
No. of inspections in connection with Improvement Grants	Nil
No. of inspections under Public Health Act	67

Drainage	37
Infectious Disease Enquiries and Disinfections	12
Tents, Vans, Sheds etc.	64
Schools	43
Factories (including Bakehouses)	22
Shops (including ice-cream premises)	54
Refuse disposal	16
Water supplies	21
Miscellaneous	62

No. of Notices served

Preliminary:	Housing	7
	Other	11
Statutory:	Housing	1
	Other	Nil

Summary Action

Summons issued	Nil
Convictions obtained	Nil

MILK AND DAIRIES ORDERS

No. of Registered Retailers	6
No. of Inspections	11

Milk Samples

Satisfactory	30	Unsatisfactory	9
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Dairymen

Licensed to use the designation Tuberculin Tested	6
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SLAUGHTERHOUSES

During the year licences in respect of six private slaughterhouses were renewed under the Food & Drugs Act, 1938. Thus two more premises have been licensed since last year, such premises being at Cold Inn, East Williamston, and Kilvelgy, Kilgetty. Both premises were in use as slaughterhouses prior to 1939. Slaughtering has increased from last year but it will be noted that the slaughter of horses for human consumption has decreased from 2,438 in 1954 to 1,948 in 1955.

The following list shows the number slaughtered up to the end of the year

	<u>Cattle</u>	<u>Calves</u>	<u>Sheep/Lambs</u>	<u>Pigs</u>
Number killed	1342	340	343	91
Number inspected	1709	108	220	56

All diseases except Tuberculosis

Whole carcasses condemned	24	111	1	1
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	1535	5	11	13

	<u>Cattle</u>	<u>Calves</u>	<u>Sheep/Lambs</u>	<u>Pigs</u>
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>				
Whole carcasses condemned	Nil	Nil	Nil	1
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	2	Nil	Nil	9
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	0.12%	Nil	Nil	18%

In addition to meate condemned the following feedstuffs were condemned :-

14 (5 lb) tins of Corned Beef
 2½ lbs Butter
 1½ lbs. Lard
 48 (½lb.) packets of Margarine
 6 tins Tomatoes

RODENT CONTROL

Numerous properties were inspected for the purpose of ascertaining as to whether they were infested by rats and mice. Generally such inspections were carried out when visits were made primarily for other purposes. The Council do not employ a full time rodent operator and thus it is not possible to carry out a systematic survey of the area.

Frequent treatments were found necessary to the Kingsmeor Common Refuse tip and to some sewage disposal works sites.

REFUSE COLLECTION

Two vehicles are employed on refuse collection and for such collection the two vehicles are whole time for the period commencing in June and ending in September and for the winter months one vehicle is wholly employed whilst the other is employed for three days of the week. This system does ensure a weekly collection in most areas but during the summer months the schedule is not strictly adhered to owing to the tremendous increase in the amount of dry refuse which arises from the influx of visitors and the commencement of camping and caravanning.

The service now covers with the exception of isolated premises, the whole of the district. There are requests from time to time for the inclusion of some of these isolated premises and in complying with such requests together with the completion and occupation of new houses the work is increasing and having regard to the increased mileage the work is becoming more difficult to cope with.

All refuse is disposed of by means of tipping and the two tips are sited at Kingsmeor Common and Clynderwen.

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 and 1948

<u>Premises</u>	<u>No. on Register</u>	<u>Inspections</u>	<u>Written Notices</u>	<u>Occupation Prosecuted</u>
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(i) Factories in which sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities

41

37

2

Nil

FACTORIES ACTS. (Cont)

<u>Premises</u>	<u>No. on Register</u>	<u>Inspections</u>	<u>Written Notices</u>	<u>Occupiers Prosecuted</u>
Brought forward	41	37	2	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding cut-workers' premises)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
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TOTAL	41	37	2	Nil
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W.E. DAVIES

Sanitary Inspector.

